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# TITLE OF THE INVENTION

## PEROXISOME PROLIFERATOR-ACTIVATED RECEPTOR

### BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

5 The references cited throughout the present application are not admitted to be prior art to the claimed invention.

Nuclear receptors act as ligand-inducible transcription factors that regulate target gene expression. Regulation of target gene expression is mediated by complexes involving the nuclear receptor, agonist or antagonist ligands, and one or  
 10 more coregulators. Depending on the nuclear receptor, the receptor may be present in the complex as a monomer, homodimer, or heterodimer. (Aranda *et al.*, *Physiological Reviews* 81:1269-1304, 2001.)

Different nuclear receptors respond to different ligands and regulate different genes. Examples of nuclear receptors include thyroid hormone receptor,  
 15 retinoic acid receptor, vitamin D receptor, peroxisome proliferator-activated receptors, pregnane X receptor, constitutive androstane receptor, liver X receptor, farnesoid X receptor, reverse ErbA, retinoid Z receptor/retinoic acid-related orphan receptor, ubiquitous receptor, retinoid X receptor, chicken ovalbumin upstream promoter transcription factor, hepatocyte nuclear factor 4, tailes-related receptor,  
 20 photoreceptor-specific nuclear receptor, testis receptor, glucocorticoid receptor, androgen receptor, progesterone receptor, estrogen receptor, estrogen-related receptor, NGF-induced clone B, steroidogenic factor 1, fushi tarazu factor 1, germ cell nuclear factor, and dosage-sensitive sex reversal. (Aranda *et al.*, *Physiological Reviews* 81:1269-1304, 2001.)

25 Nuclear receptors exhibit a modular structure with different regions corresponding to autonomous functional domains that can be interchanged between related receptors. (Aranda *et al.*, *Physiological Reviews* 81:1269-1304, 2001.) A typical nuclear receptor comprises the following regions: (A/B) a variable amino terminal region containing the ligand independent AF-1 domain; (C) a conserved  
 30 DNA binding domain; (D) a variable linker region; and (E) a ligand binding domain region containing the ligand-dependent AF-2 core transactivation domain. (Aranda *et al.*, *Physiological Reviews* 81:1269-1304, 2001.)

An important subfamily of nuclear receptors are peroxisome proliferator activated receptors (PPAR's). The PPAR subfamily of nuclear receptors  
 35 includes PPAR $\alpha$ , PPAR $\gamma$ , and PPAR $\delta$  (also known as PPAR $\beta$ ), and these receptors

function as heterodimers with the retinoid X receptor (RXR). Fatty acids and eicosanoids have been identified as naturally occurring PPAR ligands. (Berger *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Med.* 53:409-435, 2002, Berger *et al.*, *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics* 4:163-174, 2002.)

5 Agonist or partial-agonist binding to a PPAR induces stabilization of the structure as well as a change in conformation that creates a binding cleft resulting in recruitment of transcriptional coactivators. Examples of PPAR coactivators include CBP/p300, the steroid receptor coactivator (SRC-1), members of the DRIP/TRAP complex, PGC-1, RIP140, and ARA70. The active PPAR complex is bound to a specific DNA response element mediating the rate of initiation of gene transcription. (Berger *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Med.* 53:409-435, 2002, Berger *et al.*, *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics* 4:163-174, 2002.)

10 Different synthetic compounds modulating a PPAR activity have been identified. (See, e.g., Berger *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Med.* 53:409-435, 2002, Berger *et al.*, *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics* 4:163-174, 2002, Acton *et al.* International Publication Number WO 02/08188, published January 31, 2002, Berger *et al.*, International Publication Number WO 01/30343, published May 3, 2001, Cobb *et al.*, International Publication Number WO 01/17944, published March 15, 2001.)

15 Partial agonists (or antagonists), also known as "selective modulators" for PPAR's have been strongly implicated as having preferred biological properties (Berger *et al.*, International Publication Number WO 01/30343, published May 3, 2001, Moller, *Nature* 414:821-827, 2001, Berger *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Med.* 53:409-435, 2002). These may include the retention of selected responses which confer efficacy whereas selected responses that result in toxicity may be diminished.

## 25 SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

The present invention features mutated forms of PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptides that: (1) bind a partial PPAR agonist; and (2) is bound or activated by a full PPAR agonist to a lesser extent than the wild-type receptor. The mutated ligand binding domain contains an amino acid sequence wherein one or more interactions that preferentially (preferably solely) occurs between a full PPAR agonist and the AF-2 domain of a wild-type PPAR are modified. Preferably, the mutated ligand binding domain is selectively bound or activated by a partial PPAR agonist.

30 Selective binding or activation by a partial PPAR agonist is in comparison to activation by a full PPAR agonist. A full PPAR agonist is either a

potent natural ligand or has the same type of interactions with PPAR AF-2 domain amino acids as a potent natural ligand. In contrast, a partial agonist has a significantly diminished interaction with one or more amino acids that are important for full agonist binding or activation.

- 5 A "partial PPAR agonist" can bind to a wild-type PPAR and cause detectable receptor activity, where the produced activity is less than the activity caused by a full ligand. Differences between partial and full agonist produced activity can be the type or degree of activity.

- 10 Depending upon the extent of activation caused by a partial PPAR agonist, the partial agonist can be used as an agonist or an antagonist. A partial agonist can be used in an antagonist manner, for example, by competing and diluting the effect of a naturally occurring agonist.

- 15 The ability of a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain to selectively bind a partial agonist indicates: (1) a partial agonist can bind to the mutated ligand binding domain at a comparable or greater level than it binds to the wild-type protein; and (2) a full agonist binds to the mutated ligand binding domain to a lesser extent than to the wild-type protein at a given concentration, or binds to the wild-type protein to a comparable extent, but only at a higher concentration.

- 20 The ability of a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain to be selectively activated by a partial agonist indicates: (1) a partial agonist can produce a comparable or greater response in a PPAR containing the mutated ligand binding domain than in the wild-type protein; and (2) a full agonist produces a lesser response in a PPAR containing the mutated ligand binding domain than in the wild-type protein at a given concentration, or produces a response comparable to that in the wild-type protein, but  
25 only at a higher concentration.

- Reference to a "mutated" PPAR ligand binding domain indicates a different amino acid sequence than a wild-type PPAR ligand domain. Reference to "mutated" does not indicate the manner in which the "mutated" domain was produced. A "mutated" PPAR ligand binding domain can be obtained by different  
30 methods including those involving introducing a mutation into a PPAR ligand binding domain encoding nucleotide sequence, step-wise chemical synthesis of a PPAR encoding nucleotide sequence to express a "mutated" ligand binding domain, and chemically synthesizing a particular PPAR ligand binding domain amino acid sequence.

Thus, a first aspect of the present invention features a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide. The polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain, wherein the mutated PPAR ligand binding domain is:

- 5 (a) bound by a partial PPAR agonist; and
- (b) bound or activated by a full PPAR agonist to a lesser extent than the wild-type receptor.

Activation of a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide can be, for example, a change in conformation that would allow recruitment or binding of  
10 coactivator proteins.

Unless particular terms are mutually exclusive, reference to "or" indicates either or both possibilities. Thus, for example, reference to "bound or activated" includes bound, activated and both bound and activated.

Another aspect of the present invention describes a mutated PPAR  
15 ligand binding domain polypeptide that is a ligand-activated transcription factor. The ligand-activated transcription factor comprises a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain and a transcription factor DNA binding domain. The ligand-activated transcription factor is bound to the DNA response element targeted by the DNA binding domain.

20 A ligand-activated transcription factor may contain a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain from a particular PPAR subtype along with other PPAR regions from that subtype or may be a chimeric ligand-activated transcription factor. A chimeric ligand-activated transcription factor contains a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain from a particular subtype along with one or more regions from a  
25 different nuclear receptor.

Another aspect of the present invention describes a method of making a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide. The method involves mutating a PPAR ligand binding domain such that an amino acid present in a wild-type PPAR ligand binding domain that makes a direct interaction with a full agonist either makes  
30 no interaction, or a substantially different interaction, with the full agonist. If desired additional alterations can be made.

Another aspect of the present invention describes a nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide.

Another aspect of the present invention describes a recombinant cell comprising nucleic acid containing a nucleotide sequence encoding a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide, wherein the nucleic acid is expressed in the cell. Reference to "expressed" indicates the production of encoded polypeptide.

Another aspect of the present invention describes a method of assaying for a partial PPAR agonist. The method involves measuring the ability of a test compound to bind or activate a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide or a transcription factor containing a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain. Measuring can be performed qualitatively or quantitatively.

Other features and advantages of the present invention are apparent from the additional descriptions provided herein including the different examples. The provided examples illustrate different components and methodologies useful in practicing the present invention. The examples do not limit the claimed invention. Based on the present disclosure the skilled artisan can identify and employ other components and methodologies useful for practicing the present invention.

#### BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 provides the amino acid sequence of a wild type PPAR $\alpha$  (SEQ ID NO: 1). Tyr464 is shown in bold. The ligand binding domain is from amino acid 281 to 468. The DNA binding domain is from amino acid 102 to 166.

Figure 2 provides the amino acid sequence of a wild type PPAR $\delta$  (SEQ ID NO: 2). Tyr437 is shown in bold. The ligand binding domain is from amino acid 254 to 441. The DNA binding domain is from amino acid 74 to 138.

Figure 3 provides the amino acid sequence of a wild type PPAR $\gamma$  (SEQ ID NO: 3). Tyr473 is shown in bold. The ligand binding domain is from amino acid 203 to 477. The DNA binding domain is from amino acid 81 to 145.

Figure 4 illustrates Compound 1 and rosiglitazone-induced transactivation of a PPAR $\gamma$  Tyr473Ala mutant in comparison with wild-type PPAR $\gamma$  response.

Figure 5 illustrates Compound 1 and rosiglitazone-induced transactivation of a PPAR $\gamma$  Tyr473Phe mutant in comparison with wild-type PPAR $\gamma$  response.

## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

Polypeptides containing mutated PPAR ligand binding domains described herein can be used to facilitate identification and evaluation of partial agonists. Partial agonists have research and therapeutic applications. Research applications include using the partial agonist to study the biological effects of PPAR partial activation or antagonism and to identify important functional groups affecting the ability of a partial agonist to bind to or modulate a PPAR activity.

Therapeutic applications include using those partial agonists having appropriate pharmacological properties such as efficacy and lack of unacceptable toxicity to achieve a beneficial effect in a patient. A partial agonist can be used to provide a beneficial effect of PPAR modulation (e.g., partial activation or antagonism), while producing less side effects than a full agonist.

A "patient" refers to a mammal that can receive a beneficial effect by the administration of a PPAR partial agonist. A patient can be treated prophylactically or therapeutically. Examples of patients include human patients, and non-human patients such as farm animal, pets, and animals that can be used as model systems.

Beneficial effects that can be achieved by modulating one or more PPARs include treatment of one or more of the following: atherosclerosis, dyslipidemia, inflammation, cancer, infertility, hypertension, obesity, and diabetes. (Berger *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Med.* 53:409-435, 2002, Berger *et al.*, *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics* 4:163-174, 2002, Berger *et al.*, International Publication Number WO 01/30343, published May 3, 2001.)

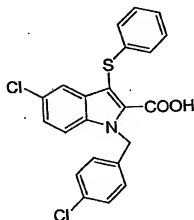
### PPAR $\gamma$

Using the PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain as a model it was found that alterations can be produced resulting in a mutated ligand binding domain that is selectively bound or activated by a partial agonist. The mutated ligand binding domains illustrated in the Examples *infra* have a Tyr473Ala or Tyr473Phe substitution.

The full agonist rosiglitazone hydrogen bonds with the PPAR $\gamma$  Tyr473 phenolic hydroxyl, while the partial agonist 1-(p-chlorobenzyl)-5-chloro-3-phenylthiobenzyl-2-yl carboxylic acid (Compound 1) does not hydrogen bond with Tyr473. Replacement of Try473 with an amino acid that does not allow hydrogen bonding to rosiglitazone diminishes an interaction that occurs between rosiglitazone and the AF-2 domain.



Compound 1 and its use as a partial agonist is described by Berger *et al.*, International publication WO 01/30343, published May 3, 2001. Compound 1 has the following structure:



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PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain polypeptides in which Tyr473 was replaced with a non-polar amino acid (e.g., alanine or phenylalanine) were found to bind to partial agonist and to activate ligand binding domain activity. Activation of a transcription factor containing a mutated ligand binding domain was at least as good (Tyr473Ala) or significantly better (Tyr473Phe) than that occurring with the wild-type ligand binding domain.

Amino acids involved in agonist and partial agonist binding can be identified using X-ray crystallography. PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain X-ray crystallography data, and techniques for generating such data are illustrated by, for example, Nolte *et al.*, *Nature* 395:137-143, 1998 and Oberfield *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 96:6120-6106, 1999.

Amino acids other than Tyr473 can be mutated to diminish binding of a full agonist to the PPAR $\gamma$  AF-2 domain and maintain or facilitate partial agonist binding or activity. The ability of a polypeptide containing a mutated ligand binding domain to be selectively activated or bound by a partial agonist can be evaluated by, for example, measuring the ability of the polypeptide to bind or be activated by a full agonist and partial agonist.

Reference to an amino acid in a particular location such as Tyr473 is with respect to a reference amino acid sequence. Reference amino acid sequences for PPAR $\alpha$ , PPR $\delta$ , PPAR $\gamma$  are provided by SEQ ID NOS: 1, 2 and 3 (Figure 1-3). The

amino acid numbering for a particular PPAR may differ due to differences in that PPAR that occur in nature or are artificial produced. Naturally occurring differences may be, for example, isoforms and polymorphisms.

- 5 The amino acid in a polypeptide corresponding to a referenced amino acid can readily be identified by performing a sequence alignment with a reference sequence. The alignment should be performed to maximize the number of identical amino acids in a region (e.g., 15 or 20 amino acids) containing the amino acid in question.

- 10 In different embodiments, the ligand binding domain is a mutated human PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue corresponding to tyrosine 473 is selected from a group consisting of:

- (a) alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and glutamine;
- (b) alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan,
- 15 phenylalanine, methionine; or
- (c) alanine or phenylalanine.

In another embodiment, the ligand binding domain comprises SEQ ID NO: 4 or a structurally similar sequence. SEQ ID NO: 4 is provided as follows:

20 QLNPEADLRALAKHLYDSYKSFPLTKAKARAILTGKTTDKSPFVIYDMNSL  
MMGEDKIKFKHITPLQEQSKEVAIRIFQGCQFRSVEAVQEITEYAKSIPGFVNL  
DLNDQVTLLKYGVHEITYTMLASLMNKGDLISEQGFMTRFLKSLRKPFGL  
FMPEKFEFAVKFNALELDDSLAIFIAVILSGDRPGLLNVPKPIEDIQDNLQAL  
ELQLKLNHPRESSQLFAKLLQKMTDLRQIVTEHVQLLQVIKKTETDMSLHPLLQ  
EIXKDLY

- 25 wherein X is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and glutamine. In further embodiments X is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine; and X is alanine or phenylalanine.

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#### PPAR $\alpha$ and PPAR $\delta$

PPAR $\alpha$ , PPAR $\delta$ , and PPAR $\gamma$  contain similar ligand binding domains, where the AF-2 domain contributes to the ligand binding pocket. The AF-2 domain in these receptors provides a ligand-dependent activation domain that participates in the

generation of a coactivator binding pocket. (Berger *et al.*, *Annu. Rev. Med.* 53:409-435, 2002.)

The similarity between different PPAR ligand binding domains and the results obtained using a mutated PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain can be used to guide the design of polypeptides containing a mutated PPAR $\alpha$  or PPAR $\delta$  ligand binding domain. The ability of a polypeptide containing a mutated ligand binding domain to be selectively activated or bound by a partial agonist can be evaluated by, for example, measuring the ability of the polypeptide to bind or be activated by a full agonist and partial agonist.

X-ray crystallography data for PPAR $\alpha$  and PPAR $\delta$  can be generated using techniques well known in the art. X-ray crystallography data for the PPAR $\alpha$  ligand binding domain and ligand binding is described by Lambert *et al.*, International Publication Number WO 02/064632, published August 22, 2002. X-ray crystallography data for the PPAR $\delta$  ligand binding domain and ligand binding is described by Xu *et al.*, *Molecular Cell* 3:397-403, 1999.

PPAR $\alpha$  and PPAR $\delta$  contain tyrosine residues that function in an analogous manner to Tyr473 in PPAR $\gamma$ . The analogous PPAR $\alpha$  tyrosine is in position 464 (Figure 1). The analogous PPAR $\delta$  tyrosine is in position 437 (Figure 2).

Partial agonists for PPAR $\alpha$  can be identified, for example, by screening for compounds that activate PPAR $\alpha$  where Tyr464 is replaced with an amino acid such as alanine or phenylalanine. Such partial agonists, in addition to the other uses described herein, can be used to obtain or evaluate mutated PPAR $\alpha$  ligand binding domain polypeptides and ligand-activated transcription factors.

Similarly, partial agonists for PPAR $\delta$  can be identified, for example, by screening for compounds that activate PPAR $\delta$  where Tyr437 is replaced with an amino acid such as alanine or phenylalanine. Such partial agonists, in addition to the other uses described herein, can be used to obtain or evaluate mutated PPAR $\delta$  ligand binding domain polypeptides and ligand-activated transcription factors.

In different embodiments, the mutated ligand binding domain either is a mutated human PPAR $\alpha$  ligand binding domain containing a mutation in a residue corresponding to tyrosine 464, or a mutated human PPAR $\delta$  ligand binding domain containing a mutation in a residue corresponding to tyrosine 437, wherein the mutation is an selected from the group consisting of: (a) alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and glutamine. In further embodiments, the mutation is either an amino acid selected

from the group consisting of alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, and methionine; or is alanine or phenylalanine.

#### Ligand-Activated Transcription Factor

5 A ligand-activated transcription factor binds a partial agonist and can modulate gene expression upon partial agonist binding. Based on the interchangeability of different nuclear receptor regions, different types of transcription factors can be produced containing a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain.

10 Nuclear receptors exhibit a modular structure with different regions corresponding to autonomous functional domains that can be interchanged between related receptors. (Aranda *et al.*, *Physiological Reviews* 81:1269-1304, 2001.) In different embodiments, a ligand-activated transcription factor is a chimeric receptor containing a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain and one or more regions from another nuclear receptor or other transcription factor (such as GAL4); or is a  
15 particular PPAR having a mutated ligand binding domain.

A preferred chimeric receptor is one containing a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain and a DNA binding domain from a different nuclear receptor or other transcription factor (such as GAL4). The selection of a particular DNA binding domain is useful in designing a reporter system to measure receptor activity.  
20 Examples of DNA binding domains used in PPAR chimeric receptors are the yeast transcription factor Gal4 and the glucocorticoid receptor. (Lehman *et al.*, *The Journal of Biological Chemistry* 270:12953-12956, 1995, Schmidt *et al.*, *Molecular and Cellular Endocrinology* 155:51-60, 1999, Berger *et al.*, *The Journal of Biological Chemistry* 274:6718-6725, 1999.)

25 Ligand binding domain regions based on a PPAR can be designed starting from known PPAR sequences. Different PPAR $\alpha$ , PPAR $\delta$ , PPAR $\gamma$  sequences include different isoforms and polymorphisms. References providing PPAR $\alpha$  sequence information include Sher *et al.*, *Biochemistry* 32:5598-5604, 1993 (see also SWISS-PROT: QO7869). References providing PPAR $\gamma$  sequence information include  
30 Elbrecht *et al.*, *Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun.* 224:431-437, 1996 (see also SWISS-PROT: P37231). References providing PPAR $\delta$  sequence information include Schmidt *et al.*, *Mol. Endocrinol.* 6:1634-1641, 1993, (see also SWISS-PROT: QO3181).

35 X-ray crystallography data pointing out the importance of different PPAR amino acid residues to ligand binding and activity can be used to facilitate

polypeptide design. References providing examples of X-ray crystallography data and methods of obtaining such data include Lambert *et al.*, International Publication Number WO 02/064632, published August 22, 2002, Xu *et al.*, *Molecular Cell* 3:397-403, 1999, Nolte *et al.*, *Nature* 395:137-143, 1998, and Oberfield *et al.*, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 96:6120-6106, 1999.

- 5 Amino acid alterations can be designed to maintain ligand binding or receptor activity taking into account the structure and property of different amino acids. Depending upon an amino acid side chain ("R" group), amino acids will have different properties such as size, polarity, the ability to hydrogen bond, and
- 10 hydrophobicity. The effect of different amino acid side chains on properties of an amino acid are well known in the art. (See, for example, Ausubel, *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley, 1987-2001, Appendix 1C.)

- In exchanging amino acids to maintain activity, the replacement amino acid should have similar properties. For example, substituting valine for leucine,
- 15 arginine for lysine, and asparagine for glutamine are good candidates for not causing a change in polypeptide functioning.

- In exchanging amino acids to diminish an agonist interaction, the replacement amino acid should have a side chain not able to make the same type of interaction as the amino acid being replaced. For example neutral and hydrophobic
- 20 amino acids (alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, and methionine), are good candidates for diminishing a hydrogen bond interaction. Proline because of its more restricted set of main chain conformations is generally not preferred.

- In different embodiments the mutated ligand binding domain, which
- 25 may be part of a transcription factor, is structurally similar to the ligand binding domain present in SEQ ID NOs: 1, 2, or 3. A structurally similar sequence is at least about 90% identical or similar to a reference sequence. In different embodiments, a structural similar sequence is at least about 95% identical or similar, or at least about 99% identical or similar, to a reference sequence; or differs from the reference
- 30 sequence by 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, or 20 amino acid alterations.

- Percent identity can be calculated by determining the minimum number of amino acid alterations to an amino acid sequence required to arrive at a reference sequence divided by the number of amino acids in the reference sequence.
- 35 Amino acid alterations can be any combination of additions, deletions, or

substitutions. The amino acid sequence compared to a reference sequence can be part of a larger sequence.

- Sequence similarity for polypeptides can also be determined by BLAST. (Altschul, *et al.*, 1997. *Nucleic Acids Res.* 25, 3389-3402, hereby incorporated by reference herein.) In one embodiment sequence similarity is determined using tBLASTn search program with the following parameters: MATRIX:BLOSUM62, PER RESIDUE GAP COST: 11, and Lambda ratio: 1.

- In different embodiments, the transcription factor contains a mutated ligand binding domain described herein for PPAR $\alpha$ , PPAR $\delta$ , or PPAR $\gamma$ . In preferred embodiments, the transcription factor consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5 or SEQ ID NO: 6. SEQ ID NO: 5 contains a Tyr473Ala alteration, while SEQ ID NO: 6 contains a Tyr473Phe alteration. SEQ ID NOs: 5 and 6 are as follows:

SEQ ID NO: 5:

- 15 MKLLSSIEQACDICRLKKLKCSKEKPKCAKCLKNNWECRYSPKTKRSPLTRA  
HLTEVESRLERLEQLFLIFPREDLDMILKMDSLQDIKALLTGLFVQDQNVNKDA  
VTDRLASVETDMPPLTLRQHRISATSSSESSNKGQRQLTVSPGIRMSHNAIRFG  
RMPQAEKEKLLAEISSDIDQLNPESADLRALAKHL YDSYIKSFPLTKAKARAIL  
TGKTTDKSPFVITYDMNSLMMGEDKIKFKHITPLQEQSKEVAIRIFQGCQFRSVE  
20 AVQEITEYAKSIPGFVNLDLNDQVTLLKYGVHEIYTMLASLMNKDGVLISEG  
QGFMTRFLKSLRKPFQDFMEPKFEFAVKFNALELDDSDLAIFIAVILSGDRPG  
LLNVKPIEDIQDNLQALELQLKLNHPESQLFAKLLQKMTDLRQIVTEHVQLL  
QVIKKTETDMSLHPLLQEIAKDLY

- 25 SEQ ID NO: 6:

- MKLLSSIEQACDICRLKKLKCSKEKPKCAKCLKNNWECRYSPKTKRSPLTRA  
HLTEVESRLERLEQLFLIFPREDLDMILKMDSLQDIKALLTGLFVQDQNVNKDA  
VTDRLASVETDMPPLTLRQHRISATSSSESSNKGQRQLTVSPGIRMSHNAIRFG  
RMPQAEKEKLLAEISSDIDQLNPESADLRALAKHL YDSYIKSFPLTKAKARAIL  
30 TGKTTDKSPFVITYDMNSLMMGEDKIKFKHITPLQEQSKEVAIRIFQGCQFRSVE  
AVQEITEYAKSIPGFVNLDLNDQVTLLKYGVHEIYTMLASLMNKDGVLISEG  
QGFMTRFLKSLRKPFQDFMEPKFEFAVKFNALELDDSDLAIFIAVILSGDRPG  
LLNVKPIEDIQDNLQALELQLKLNHPESQLFAKLLQKMTDLRQIVTEHVQLL  
QVIKKTETDMSLHPLLQEIAKDLY

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### Polypeptide Production

Polypeptides can be produced using standard techniques including those involving chemical synthesis and those involving biochemical synthesis. Techniques for chemical synthesis of polypeptides are well known in the art. (See

- 5 e.g., Vincent, in *Peptide and Protein Drug Delivery*, New York, N.Y., Dekker, 1990.)

- Biochemical synthesis techniques for polypeptides are also well known in the art. Examples of techniques for introducing nucleic acid into a cell and expressing the nucleic acid to produce protein are provided in references such as Ausubel, *Current Protocols in Molecular Biology*, John Wiley, 1987-1998, and
- 10 Sambrook, et al., in *Molecular Cloning, A Laboratory Manual*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, 1989.

- Starting with a particular amino acid sequence and the known degeneracy of the genetic code, a large number of different encoding nucleic acid sequences can be obtained. The degeneracy of the genetic code arises because almost
- 15 all amino acids are encoded by different combinations of nucleotide triplets or "codons". Amino acids are encoded by codons as follows:

- A=Ala=Alanine: codons GCA, GCC, GCG, GCU  
 C=Cys=Cysteine: codons UGC, UGU  
 D=Asp=Aspartic acid: codons GAC, GAU  
 20 E=Glu=Glutamic acid: codons GAA, GAG  
 F=Phe=Phenylalanine: codons UUC, UUU  
 G=Gly=Glycine: codons GGA, GGC, GGG, GGU  
 H=His=Histidine: codons CAC, CAU  
 I=Ile=Isoleucine: codons AUA, AUC, AUU  
 25 K=Lys=Lysine: codons AAA, AAG  
 L=Leu=Leucine: codons UUA, UUG, CUA, CUC, CUG, CUU  
 M=Met=Methionine: codon AUG  
 N=Asn=Asparagine: codons AAC, AAU  
 P=Pro=Proline: codons CCA, CCC, CCG, CCU  
 30 Q=Gln=Glutamine: codons CAA, CAG  
 R=Arg=Arginine: codons AGA, AGG, CGA, CGC, CGG, CGU  
 S=Ser=Serine: codons AGC, AGU, UCA, UCC, UCG, UCU  
 T=Thr=Threonine: codons ACA, ACC, ACG, ACU  
 V=Val=Valine: codons GUA, GUC, GUG, GUU  
 35 W=Trp=Tryptophan: codon UGG

Y=Tyr=Tyrosine: codons UAC, UAU

- 5 Nucleic acid encoding a mutated ligand binding domain can be obtained by producing a nucleic acid using chemical synthesis techniques or by mutating a previously synthesized nucleic acid. Mutating a previously synthesized nucleic acid is facilitated using techniques such as site directed mutagenesis which can be employed to alter a particular nucleotide to obtain a desired codon.

#### Recombinant Expression

- 10 Polypeptides are preferably expressed by recombinant nucleic acid in a suitable host or expression system. Recombinant nucleic acid is nucleic acid that by virtue of its sequence or form does not occur in nature. Possible forms for recombinant nucleic acid include isolation from nucleic acid found in a cell; or a polypeptide encoding region combined with other nucleic acid, which may be present in a host genome or outside of the host genome.

- 15 More preferably, expression is achieved in a host cell using an expression vector. An expression vector is a recombinant nucleic acid that includes a region encoding a polypeptide along with regulatory elements for proper transcription and processing. The regulatory elements that may be present include those naturally associated with the polypeptide encoding region and exogenous regulatory elements not naturally associated with the polypeptide coding region.

- 20 Exogenous regulatory elements such as an exogenous promoter can be useful for expressing recombinant nucleic acid in a particular host. An exogenous promoter for a polypeptide containing a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain is a promoter that is not naturally associated with PPAR encoding nucleic acid.

- 25 Generally, the regulatory elements that are present in an expression vector include a transcriptional promoter, a ribosome binding site, a terminator, and an optionally present operator. Another preferred element is a polyadenylation signal providing for processing in eukaryotic cells. Preferably, an expression vector also contains an origin of replication for autonomous replication in a host cell, a selectable marker, a limited number of useful restriction enzyme sites, and a potential for high copy number. Examples of expression vectors are cloning vectors, modified cloning vectors, specifically designed plasmids and viruses.

- 30 To enhance expression in a particular host it may be useful to modify a particular encoding sequence to take into account codon usage of the host. Codon usage of different organisms are well known in the art. (See, Ausubel, *Current*
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Protocols in Molecular Biology, John Wiley, 1987-1998, Supplement 33 Appendix 1C.)

Expression vectors may be introduced into host cells using standard techniques. Examples of such techniques include transformation, transfection, lipofection, protoplast fusion, and electroporation.

- 5 Nucleic acid encoding a polypeptide can be expressed in a cell without the use of an expression vector. For example, mRNA can be translated in various cell-free systems such as wheat germ extracts and reticulocyte extracts, as well as in cell based systems, such as frog oocytes. Introduction of mRNA into cell based systems can be achieved, for example, by microinjection.

- 10 PPAR assays can be performed using a host expressing a mutated ligand binding domain polypeptide, and can be performed using a mutated ligand binding domain polypeptide purified from a host or expression system. Preferably, assays are performed using a recombinant cell.

- 15 A recombinant cell encoding a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide is a cell that is modified to contain nucleic acid encoding the polypeptide. The modification can be by different methods, such as introduction of an expression vector and mutation of the host genome.

## 20 PPAR Assays Formats

Polypeptides containing a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain can be employed to evaluate and select for partial agonists. A variety of different assay formats can be employed including ligand binding assays, assays measuring coactivator affinity, and assay measuring transcription factor activity. Examples of different assay formats include:

- 25 1) Measuring ligand binding using a scintillation proximity assay format (e.g., Elbrecht et al., *The Journal of Biological Chemistry* 12:7913-7922, 1999);
- 30 2) Measuring nuclear receptor affinity for cofactors using fluorescence resonance energy transfer (e.g., Zhou et al., *Molecular Endocrinology* 12:1594-1604, 1998); and
- 35 3) Measuring transcription factor activity (e.g., Example Section infra., Lehman et al., *The Journal of Biological Chemistry* 270:12953-12956, 1995, Schmidt et al., *Molecular and Cellular Endocrinology* 155:51-60, 1999, Berger et al., *The Journal of Biological Chemistry* 274:6718-6725, 1999.)

- Full and partial agonists can be discriminated, for example, by running two simultaneous transactivation assays one involving the wild-type receptor (native or chimera) and the other involving the mutated receptor. Ligands having severely diminished activity in the mutant assay versus wild-type are classified as full agonists.
- 5 Ligands that exhibit the same activity or enhanced activity in the mutant assay versus wild-type can be classified as partial agonists.

### EXAMPLES

- Examples are provided below further illustrating different features of the present invention. The examples also illustrate useful methodology for practicing the invention. These examples do not limit the claimed invention.
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#### Example 1: Mutated Ligand Binding Domain Construction

- Mutated PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain polypeptides were generated by site directed mutagenesis of encoding nucleic acid, followed by nucleic acid expression. The starting construct for mutagenesis was pcDNA3-hPPAR $\gamma$ /GAL4. pcDNA3-hPPAR $\gamma$ /GAL4 is a chimeric transcription factor containing a human hPPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain and a yeast GAL4 transcription factor DNA binding domain.
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- pcDNA3-hPPAR $\gamma$ /GAL4 was prepared by inserting the yeast GAL4 transcription factor DNA binding domain adjacent to the ligand binding domain of human PPAR $\gamma$  within the mammalian expression vector pcDNA3.1(+). Construction was achieved using techniques described by Elbrecht *et al.* *J. Biol. Chem.* 274:7913-7922, 1999.
- 20
- Starting with pcDNA3-hPPAR $\gamma$ /GAL4, the Tyr473 residue of human PPAR $\gamma$  was mutated to Ala or Phe by utilizing the Quikchange Site-Directed Mutagenesis Kit according to the protocol of the manufacturer (Stratagene, La Jolla, CA). The Tyr473Ala mutation was made using the forward oligonucleotide 5'-GCTCCTGCAGGAGATCGCCAAGGACTTGTA CTAG-3' (SEQ ID NO: 9) and the reverse oligonucleotide 5'-CTAGTACAAGTCCTTGGCGATCTCCTGCAGGAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 10). The Tyr473Phe mutation was made using the forward oligonucleotide 5'-GCTCCTGCAGGAGATCTTCAAGGACTTGTA CTAG-3' and the reverse oligonucleotide 5'-CTAGTACAAGTCCTTGAAGATCTCCTGCAGGAGC-3' (SEQ ID NO: 12).
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The mutated constructs containing a PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding alteration in Tyr473 were designated pcDNA3-PPAR $\gamma$ (473Ala)/GAL4, or pcDNA3-PPAR $\gamma$ (473Phe)/GAL4. The nucleic acid sequence encoding the GAL4/PPAR $\gamma$  (473 Ala) construct is provided by SEQ ID NO: 7. The nucleic acid sequence encoding the GAL4/PPAR $\gamma$  (473 Phe) construct is provided by SEQ ID NO: 8.

#### Example 2: Transactivation Assay

A transactivation assay was performed to evaluate mutated PPAR PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domains. The transcription assay employed the transcription factors described in Example 1 and a reporter plasmid. Expression of the reporter plasmid is induced by transcription factor activation.

The employed reporter plasmid for the GAL4 chimeric receptors (pUAS(5X)-tk-luc) contains five repeats of the GAL4 response element (UAS) upstream of a minimal thymidine kinase promoter that is adjacent to the luciferase gene. (Berger *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 274:6718-6725, 1999.) A control vector, pCMV-lacZ, contains the CMV promoter adjacent to the galactosidase Z gene. (Berger *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 274:6718-6725, 1999.)

Rosiglitazone ((+/-)-5-(4-(2-(methyl-2-pyridinylamino)ethoxy)phenyl)methyl)-2,4-thiazolidinedione) and Compound 1 were evaluated. Cell culture reagents were obtained from Gibco (Gaithersburg, MD). Unless otherwise noted, all other reagents were obtained from Sigma Chemicals (St. Louis, MO).

COS-1 cells were cultured and transactivation assays were performed using the expression vectors pcDNA3-PPAR $\gamma$ /GAL4, pcDNA3-PPAR $\gamma$ (473Ala)/GAL4, or pcDNA3-PPAR $\gamma$ (473Phe)/GAL4 using techniques described by Berger *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 274:6718-6725, 1999. Briefly, cells were transfected with a transcription factor expression vector, pUAS(5X)-tk-luc reporter vector and pCMV-lacZ as an internal control for transactivation efficiency using Lipofectamine (Invitrogen, Carlsburg, CA). After a 48 hour exposure to compounds, cell lysates were produced, and luciferase and  $\beta$ -galactosidase activity in cell extracts was determined. (Berger *et al.*, *J. Biol. Chem.* 274:6718-6725, 1999.)

The PPAR $\gamma$  full agonist rosiglitazone showed a dramatic diminution in potency in activating the PPAR $\gamma$  Tyr473Ala mutant in comparison with wild-type PPAR $\gamma$  (Figure 4). In contrast, the potency of Compound 1 in activating the PPAR $\gamma$

- Tyr473Ala mutant remained essentially unchanged while its efficacy (maximal response) was augmented in comparison with wild-type PPAR $\gamma$  (Figure 4). The potency of rosiglitazone in activating the PPAR $\gamma$  Tyr473Phe mutant was also greatly reduced in comparison with wild-type PPAR $\gamma$  (Figure 5). The potency of Compound 1
- 5 in activating the PPAR $\gamma$  Tyr473Phe was significantly augmented in comparison with wild-type PPAR $\gamma$  (Figure 5).

- Other embodiments are within the following claims. While several embodiments have been shown and described, various modifications may be made
- 10 without departing from the spirit and scope of the present invention.

## WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A mutated peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor (PPAR) ligand binding domain polypeptide comprising the amino acid sequence of a mutated
  - 5 PPAR ligand binding domain, wherein said mutated PPAR ligand binding domain is
    - (a) bound by a partial PPAR agonist; and
    - (b) bound or activated by a full PPAR agonist to a lesser extent than the wild-type receptor.
- 10 2. The mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said mutated PPAR ligand binding domain selectively binds said partial agonist.
- 15 3. The mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide is selectively activated by said partial agonist.
- 20 4. The mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide of claim 1, wherein said mutated ligand binding domain is either:
  - a mutated human PPAR $\alpha$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue corresponding to tyrosine 464 is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and glutamine;
  - 25 a mutated human PPAR $\delta$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue corresponding to tyrosine 437 is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine, leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and glutamine, or
  - a mutated human PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue corresponding to tyrosine 473 is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine,
    - 30 leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and glutamine.
5. The mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide of claim 1, where said polypeptide comprises the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4:

QLNPESADLRALAKHLYDSYIKSFPLTKAKARAILTGKTTDKSPFVITYDMNSL  
MMGEDKIKFKHITPLQEQSKEVAIRIFQGCQFRSVEAVQEITEYAKSIPGFVNL  
DLNDQVTLIKYGVHEIYTMLASLMNKDGVLISEGQGGFMTREFLKSRLKPFGL  
FMEPKFEFAVKFNALELDDSDLAIFIAVILSGDRPGLLNVKPIEDIQDNLLQAL  
5 ELQLKLNHPESSQLFAKLLQKMTDLRQIVTEHVQLLQVIKKTETDMSLHPLLQ  
EIXKDLY

wherein X is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine, leucine,  
isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and  
glutamine.

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6. The mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide of claim  
5, wherein X is phenylalanine or alanine.

7. A ligand-activated transcription factor comprising the mutated  
15 PPAR ligand binding domain of claim 1 and a DNA binding domain.

8. The ligand-activated transcription factor of claim 7, wherein  
said transcription factor can be selectively activated by partial agonist binding.

20 9. The ligand-activated transcription factor of claim 8, wherein  
said mutated ligand bind domain is ether:

a mutated human PPAR $\alpha$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue  
corresponding to tyrosine 464 is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine,  
leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine,  
25 asparagine, and glutamine;

a mutated human PPAR $\delta$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue  
corresponding to tyrosine 437 is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine,  
leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine,  
asparagine, and glutamine, or

30 a mutated human PPAR $\gamma$  ligand binding domain, wherein a residue  
corresponding to tyrosine 473 is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine,  
leucine, isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine,  
asparagine, and glutamine.

10. The ligand-activated transcription factor of claim 7, where said mutated ligand binding domain consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 4:  
QLNPESADLRALAKHLYDSYIKSFPLTKAKARAILTGKTTDKSPFVIYDMNSL  
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ELQLKLNHPESSQLFAKLLQKMTDLRQIVTEHVQLLQVIKKTETDMSLHPLLQ  
EIXKDLY  
wherein X is selected from the group consisting of: alanine, valine, leucine,  
10 isoleucine, proline, tryptophan, phenylalanine, methionine, histidine, asparagine, and  
glutamine.
11. The ligand-activated transcription factor of claim 10, wherein  
X is phenylalanine or alanine.  
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12. The ligand-activated transcription factor of claim 11, wherein  
said transcription factor is a chimeric receptor.
13. The ligand-activated transcription factor of claim 12, wherein  
20 said transcription factor consists of the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 5 or SEQ  
ID NO: 6.
14. A method of making a mutated PPAR ligand binding domain  
polypeptide comprising the step of mutating a PPAR ligand binding domain such that  
25 an amino acid present in a wild-type PPAR ligand binding domain that makes a direct  
interaction with a full agonist either makes no interaction, or a substantially different  
interaction, with said full agonist.
15. The method of claim 14, wherein said mutating produces said  
30 mutated PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptide such that said mutated PPAR  
ligand binding is selectively bound or activated by a partial PPAR agonist.
16. The method of claim 15, wherein said mutating comprises  
changing an amino acid that makes a direct interaction with a full agonist into an

amino acid that either makes no interaction, or a substantially different interaction, with said full agonist.

17. The method of claim 16, wherein said PPAR ligand binding domain that is mutated comprises SEQ ID NO: 3:
- QLNPESADLRALAKHLYDSYIKSFPLTKAKARAILTGKTTDKSPFVIYDMNSL  
MMGEDKIKFKHITPLQEQSKEVAIRIFQGCQFRSVEAVQEITEYAKSIPGFVNL  
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FMPEKFEFAVKFNALELDDSDLAIFIAVILSGDRPGLLNVPKPIEDQDNLQAL  
ELQLKLNHPESQLFAKLLQKMTDLRQIVTEHVQLLQVIKKTETDMSLHPLLQ  
EIYKDLY.

18. A nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding the polypeptide of any one of claims 1-6 or the transcription factor of any one claims 7-13.

19. The nucleic acid of claim 18, wherein said nucleotide sequence is transcriptionally coupled to an exogenous promoter.

20. The nucleic acid of claim 19, wherein said nucleic acid is an expression vector.

21. A recombinant cell comprising the nucleic acid of claim 20, wherein said nucleic acid is expressed in said cell.

22. A method of assaying for a partial PPAR agonist comprising the step of measuring the ability of a test compound to bind to or activate the polypeptide of any one of claims 1-6 or the transcription factor of any one of claims 7-13.



TITLE OF THE INVENTION  
PEROXISOME PROLIFERATOR-ACTIVATED RECEPTOR

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

- 5           The present invention features mutated forms of PPAR ligand binding domain polypeptides that: (1) bind a partial PPAR agonist; and (2) is bound or activated by a full PPAR agonist to a lesser extent than the wild-type receptor. The mutated ligand binding domain contains an amino acid sequence wherein one or more interactions that preferentially (preferably solely) occurs between a full PPAR agonist and the AF-2 domain of a wild-type PPAR are modified. Preferably, the mutated
- 10           ligand binding domain is selectively bound or activated by a partial PPAR agonist.

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GCKGFFRRTI	RLKLVYDKCD	RSCKIQKKNR	NKCQYCRPHK	CLSVGMSHNA	IRFGRMPRSE
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370	380	390	400	410	420
FAMKFNALEL	DDSDISLFVA	AIICCGDRFG	LLNVGHIEM	QEGIVHVLRL	HLQSNHPDDI
430	440	450	460		
FLFPKLLQKM	ADLRQLVTEH	AQLVQIIKKT	ESDAALHPLL	QEIYRDMY	

FIG. 1

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10	20	30	40	50	60
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GCDGASCGSL	NMECRVCGDK	ASGPHYGVHA	CEGCKGFFRR	TIRMKLEYEK	CERSCKIQKK
130	140	150	160	170	180
NRNKCQYCRF	QKCLALGMSH	NAIRFGRMPE	AEKRKLVLGL	TANEGSQYNP	QVADLKAFSK
190	200	210	220	230	240
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250	260	270	280	290	300
ISVHVFYRCQ	CTTVETVREL	TEFAKSIPSF	SSLFLNDQVT	LLKYGVHEAT	FAMLASIVNK
310	320	330	340	350	360
DGLLVANGSG	FVTREFLRSL	RKPFSDIIEP	KFEFAVKFNA	LELDDSDLAL	PIAAIILCGD
370	380	390	400	410	420
RPEGLMNVPRV	EAIQDTILRA	LEPHLQANH	DAQYLPFKLL	QKMA DLRLV	TEHAQMMQRI
430	440				
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FIG. 2

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10	20	30	40	50	60
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VVADYKYDLK	LQEYQSAIKV	EPASPPYYSE	KTQLYNKPHE	EPSNSLMAIE	CRVCGDKASG
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PHYGVHACEG	CKGFFRRTIR	LKLIYDRCDL	NCRIHKKSRL	KCQYCRFKC	LAVGMSHNAI
190	200	210	220	230	240
RFGRMPQAEK	EKLLAEISSD	IDQLNPESAD	LRALAKHLYD	SYIKSFPLTK	AKARAILTGK
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TTDKSPFVIY	DMNSLMMGED	KIKFKHITPL	QEQSKEVAIR	IFQGCQFRSV	EAVQEITEYA
310	320	330	340	350	360
KSI PGFVNLD	LNDQVILLKY	GVHEIIYTML	ASLMNKDGLV	ISEGQGFMTK	EFLKSLRKPF
370	380	390	400	410	420
GDFMEPKFEF	AVKFNALELD	DSDLAIFIAV	IILSGDRPGL	LNVPFIEDIQ	DNLLQALELQ
430	440	450	460	470	
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FIG. 3

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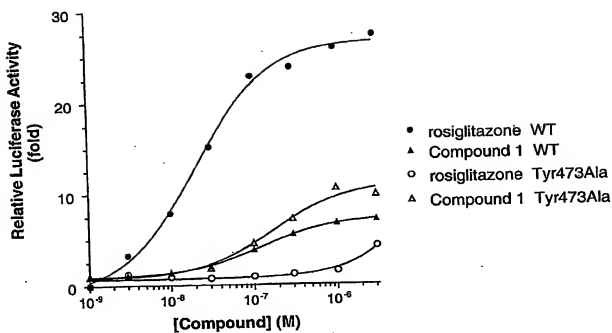


FIG. 4

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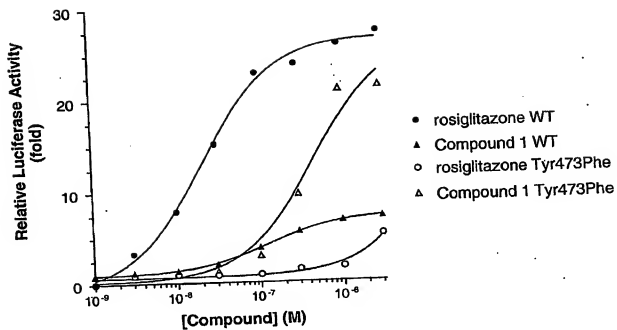


FIG. 5

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&lt;211&gt; 477

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Human

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&lt;211&gt; 275

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

&lt;220&gt;

&lt;223&gt; mutated PPAR ligand binding domain

&lt;221&gt; VARIANT

&lt;222&gt; 271

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 histidine, asparagine, or glutamine.

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&lt;211&gt; 454

&lt;212&gt; PRT

&lt;213&gt; Artificial Sequence

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 ligand binding domain

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Phe Val Gln Asp Asn Val Asn Lys Asp Ala Val Thr Asp Arg Leu Ala  
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 Asp Ile Asp Gln Leu Asn Pro Glu Ser Ala Asp Leu Arg Ala Leu Ala  
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 Lys His Leu Tyr Asp Ser Tyr Ile Lys Ser Phe Pro Leu Thr Lys Ala  
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